GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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NHAI`S PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has decided to seek public investment board`s approval for taking up fresh projects worth about Rs. 10,000 crore;

(b) if so, whether these projects form the first tranche of second phase of Rs. 30,000 crore National Highway Development Project;

(c) whether the NHAI has also sought a go-ahead for accessing Asian Development Bank funding for a 500 km stretch on the north-south, east-west corridors; and

(d) if so, by when these schemes are likely to be implemented?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJOR GENERAL (R
B.C.KHANDURI)

(a) to (c) The Second phase of National Highways Development Project (NHDP) comprises 4/6 laning of 5812 kms on North-South and East-West Corridor. The first tranche of this phase comprising four laning of 506 kms at the cost of Rs. 2574 crores has been approved by Public Investment Board for accessing Asian Development Bank (ADB) fundingFor remaining length of the Second phase, Government approval will be sought appropriately.

(d) The first tranche of Second phase under ADB funding is targeted for completion in 2005-06.